GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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CELLULAR TELEPHONE COMPANIES
M. JAGANNATH

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of those cellular telephone companies which have not yet started their operation though they have been granted licences much earlier;

(b) the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by the Government against these operators?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (c): Sir, out of the companies who hold Cellular Telephone Service Licenses at present, only one company namely M/s. Hexacom India Limited have not yet started their cellular service in North East Telecom Circle.M/s Hexacom have informed that due to difficult law and order situation, they could not start their operation in North East yet. A decision was taken to allow additional time, as required by the licensee company to start the service, in view of the prevailing circumstances.